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U.S. Patent Documents

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3. U.S. Patent No. 4,193,671 to Erickson et al., issued March 18, 1980;
4. U.S. Patent No. 4,701,288 to Cook et al., issued October 20, 1987;
5. U.S. Patent No. 5,433,898 to Thakrar et al., issued July 18, 1995; and

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Copies of the U.S. patents listed on the enclosed form PTO/SB/08 are not enclosed, in accordance with the waiver of the requirement of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 that appears in the Official Gazette Notice (Week No. 31) dated August 5, 2003 and entitled "Information Disclosure Statements May Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Applications in Patent Applications Filed After June 30, 2003".

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